

CANTERBURY TALES

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First, read the **Welcome** message.

Next, select **Visit the Inn**. You will have questions to answer about each of the topics once you reach the inn.



When you get to the inn, read each section by hovering over the appropriate topic. You will need to answer questions about each topic. The questions are located on the next page.

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CLOTHING

1. What were **sumptuary laws** and why were they enforced?
2. What would be considered appropriate clothing for one of Chaucer's pilgrims?

FOOD

1. How was dining in Chaucer's time different from modern dining?
2. What courses would one of Chaucer's meals typically contain?

MUSIC

1. Why were musical ballads such a popular form of storytelling?
2. What were some popular instruments at the time?

SOCIETY

1. List the three common classes that existed during the Middle Ages.
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2. What social class did Chaucer come from?

RELIGION

1. What was the dominant religion during the Middle Ages?
2. List three details about Saint Thomas a Becket. (follow the hyperlink)
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BOOKS

1. How were books produced during Chaucer's lifetime?
2. Describe the picture taken from a copy of The Canterbury Tales. (follow the hyperlink)



CHAUCER'S ENGLISH

When you have finished answering questions about life in England during the Middle Ages, visit **Chaucer's English** to read and hear Middle English.



SKILLS MASTER

After you have listened to the Prologue to the Canterbury Tales in Middle English, click on **Skills Master**. Select **Wrap-Up: Chaucer's English**. Print the worksheet and complete the activity.